Top 10 Reasons Legal Firms Select Accellion Secure Mobile File Sharing Solutions

Secure mobile file sharing capabilities for enabling anytime, anywhere access to information while ensuring data security and compliance.

1. Proven, Robust Solution for Legal Firms

Legal firms need solutions designed to meet their specific needs. Accellion has a proven track record of successfully providing legal firms with a highly scalable and flexible secure mobile file sharing solution that meet the strictest security requirements to comply with industry and government regulations. Top global law firms including Allens Linklaters, Foley and Mansfield, Orrick, Mannatt, and Debevoise and Plimpton are a few of the organizations currently using Accellion secure mobile file sharing to securely share information with colleagues and staff, outside counsel, external parties, and clients.

2. Scalable Solution – Easy to Grow with Accellion

Accellion offers organizations unparalleled flexibility and scalability. Organizations can start with as few as 5 users in a single office and add individuals across multiple locations across the globe as they grow and as requirements change. Firms also have the flexibility to add new capabilities as well as new sites with changing business requirements.

3. Private Cloud, On-Premise Solutions Greater Control and Management of Data.

Law firms today need secure deployment options such as the ability to deploy in a private, on-premise cloud. Accellion is the #1 choice for private cloud/on-premise solutions enabling deployment in VMware, Microsoft HyperV and Citrix XenServer environments. Located within an organization's firewall, private clouds are owned and controlled by the IT organization allowing them to control SLAs and security parameters. With on-premise deployments, Accellion also enables laws firms to leverage NFS/Atmos storage.

4. Mobilize Enterprise Data – Secure SharePoint Access. No VPN

Government agencies require secure mobile access to content stored across enterprise content management (ECM) systems. Kitepoint provides organizations with secure mobile access to enterprise content stored in Microsoft® SharePoint and other enterprise content stores - anytime, anywhere, on any connected device without a VPN.

With kitepoint, users have a central hub for managing and accessing all their enterprise content – across silos of SharePoint sites, Windows File Servers, NFS, and other content stores. Kitepoint enables end-users to securely view and share content regardless of where files are stored, while IT can maintain control by enforcing security policies across all content stores for auditing, reporting, and compliance.
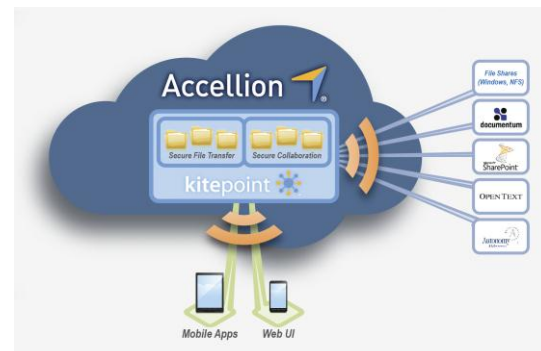
5. Native Accellion Mobile Apps – Secure Anytime, Anywhere Access to Data.

For legal firms managing BYOD in their organization, along with the need to secure anytime, anywhere access to confidential information across devices, Accellion provides **native mobile applications** for Apple iOS (iPhone, iPad and iPod)-version 5.1 or later, BlackBerry OS version 4.6 or later and Android version 2.2 or later. Accellion Mobile Apps provide attorneys and staff secure viewing and sharing of enterprise content in secure workspaces. With configurable user access privileges, IT can control which users can download, edit, and save files on the devices for real-time collaboration and file sharing. They can also whitelist applications used to open files from Accellion and configure PIN access to the application. Lastly, users can directly upload image files to Accellion from the camera roll to easily and securely share via Accellion secure workspaces.

Accellion Mobile Apps also work with MDM partners such as MobileIron, BoxTone, and Good Technology as well as application security technology partners such as Mocana so legal teams can not only secure confidential files on the device but also secure the application data and manage the device itself.

With Accellion Mobile Apps, attorneys can securely access files en route to meetings, at client sites, and at home, ensuring that secure business interactions can move forward anytime, anywhere. Users on-the-go can safely save files on the device in a 256-bit AES encrypted container for offline use, access files saved on the device using a passcode, and/or send secure links to files and workspaces to key stakeholders for real-time collaboration.

6. Centralized IT Control and Management – Greater IT Control

Legal organizations require solutions that are not only easy for end-users, but also deliver the controls and management needed to ensure data security and compliance. Accellion offers a robust IT Admin Interface that enables IT to centrally manage and control users efficiently. Administrators can easily provision new users with appropriate user rights and privileges including setting up storage caps for workspaces, creating file and workspace retention policies, enabling/disabling mobile access and file sync capabilities for users, and enabling LDAP Groups to manage groups of users. Admins also have the ability to view comprehensive reports of all file and user activity to maintain visibility into how documents are being accessed and by whom to ensure that confidential information stays secure. Audit trails of all file sharing activities can be used by organizations to demonstrate compliance with regulations. In addition to reporting, Accellion also supports email archiving and is compatible with industry standard mail archiving servers.

7. Enterprise Authentication – Greater Security

Strong authentication is essential to ensure that only authorized users have access to data. Using Accellion, administrators centrally manage password policies as well as integrate with LDAP for authentication. Law firms can integrate Active Directory / multi-LDAP to centrally manage and control user accounts across their entire deployment. Accellion also supports single-on through SAML (Secure Assertion Markup Language) 2.0 protocol and Kerberos. Accellion supports multi-factor authentication through single sign-on providers.

8. Enterprise File Synchronization – Increased Security and Business Productivity

Today's 24/7 business climate demands that legal staff have secure access to the latest information across devices, online and offline. Accellion sync gives them access to up-to-date files regardless of location or device, offline and online. Accellion file sync combines the ease of use of consumer solutions with the IT controls, security and management that organizatons require. Attorneys, staff, and other stakeholders have a user-friendly capability to effectively do their jobs without seeking unsecure consumer-centric solutions and IT has the necessary audit trails to ensure compliance.

Unlike other solutions, Accellion offers flexible file syncing with kitedrive continous sync and workspace on-demand file synchronization so users can select how files are synchronized to optimize business productivity, network storage and bandwidth. Files added to sync-enabled folders are synchronized with your cloud and then accessible across devices.

9. Outlook and Lync Integration – Increased Business Productivity

Law firms require secure methods to share files from existing enterprise applications with both internal and external users. Using Accellion plug-ins for the Microsoft Productivity Suite, legal employees can securely share files with internal and external recipients from within existing applications and without duplicating data.

Outlook Plug-in (included with Secure Mobile File Sharing)
Using the Accellion Microsoft Outlook Plug-in users can securely send files, up to 2GB in size per file, directly from within Microsoft Outlook. The file is delivered as a secure link. By clicking on the link and authenticating the recipient is able to download the file. If enabled by IT, the plugin also provides flexible end-user controls including the ability to set the file link expiration and control file access.

10. Secure Project and Team Collaboration – Increased Data Security

Law firms require secure file sharing across organizational boundaries for project teams, virtual data rooms and deal rooms, for increased productivity as well as reduced response time with real-time collaboration. With attorneys managing large volumes of confidential data, they need solutions that allow them to easily and securely collaborate and share files on upcoming cases with legal staff, co-counsel, clients, and other stakeholders.

With Accellion, attorneys can easily create as many secure workspaces as needed, upload files, and then invite clients, internal and external legal counsel and staff to review, comment, update, share, synchronize, and send key legal documentation to keep cases, contracts and M&A activities moving forward. To ensure data security, users can be assigned Manager, Contributor, Uploader, and Viewer roles depending on the privileges required. IT admins can even controls which users are allowed to create workspaces. Secure workspaces can be accessed across devices for anytime, anywhere enterprise file sharing.